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While working over the years in Asia, I met many children in desperate need. I became the hanai mother to five in Thailand, China, and Indonesia, and even a group of rickshaw drivers in Sumatra, all asking to call me Mom. People have called me Mom ever since, naturally including my own son now working as a landscaper on the Big Island.

My family history in Hawaii begins before I was born. In 1927 my Mom came to Hawaii as a teacher. I grew up in Idaho, but my Mom's tales made me dream of moving here. In the 1960s my dream came true when I got a job in Honolulu as a social worker and later as a speech instructor at U.H. Manoa and Leeward Community College.

As a teacher, administrator, seniors advocate, and small business owner, my attention turned to people in need. Working for Washington's Muckleshoot Indians, the abandoned elderly, teachers overwhelmed with paperwork and low pay, students who couldn't succeed, and workers who lost their jobs moved me to search for solutions to their problems.

When I join the Legislature in January to represent Lower Puna, I will continue this search supported by connections to people and organizations who share my dedication to serving neglected people and our environment. I will work for legislation to protect and nurture Puna so we all can thrive and pass on to future generations the beauty we love.